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COMMUNITY & URBAN FORESTRY

CUF Links Bi Weekly Update

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Updates

CUF has submitted a pre proposal for a Midwest Center grant that, if accepted, will involve putting interpretive signage and posters at the 10 Indiana Welcome Centers. We could virtually plant seeds of knowledge in the minds of thousands of folks who visit our Welcome Centers! I am thrilled to be partnering with Indiana Department of Tourism and IN-DOT on this project along with Division of Forestry Conservation Education, and NIPSCO. We also hope to form a partnership with Indiana Urban Forest Council members on this project as well. We will know in February if our proposal, which can be replicated regionally and nationally, has been accepted.



Who is this cool guy? He is the urban forestry logo/mascot for the **Town of Edgewood** and had his first big day at the Edgewood Arbor Day held last Saturday. The

Community received its first **Tree City** designation and celebrated by planting three trees, raising the American flag and the Tree City flag with formal flag raising ceremonies by the Boy Scouts, and hearing special words of encouragement and praise offered by **State Senator Tim Lanane and Kevin Sulc, District Representative for Congressman Mike Pence**. The Town Council and the Edgewood Tree

Board accepted the Tree City award on behalf of the community.

Websites, fact sheets, and more...

Learn about making scientific data "relevant and persuasive" in Jim Geiger's latest Urban Forest Research newsletter. Click on http://cuf.r.ucdavis.edu/products/cufr604_newsletter_summer2005.pdf

to learn about Green print and Growth Rings that are directly related to urban forestry!

EDUCATORS ALERT!!!

PLT !!! Web training and support materials have now been incorporated into **Project Learning Tree** (PLT) curriculum used in the organization's network of thousands of workshops. Please visit the new website at: <http://plt.org/cms/urbanforestry/>

PLT activities are great to do at Arbor Day events and any environmental event that involves youth K-12 and they now have specific urban forestry activities and resources for PLT.

Selecting Trees for your Home is a great website by the Illinois Extension. Check it out at:

<http://www.urbanext.uiuc.edu/treeselector/index.html>



Tales of the urban forest

Soundprint is a public radio production company that produces a weekly documentary series carried by public radio stations across the country.

With a grant from the Forest Service and American Forests, Soundprint has produced a 10 part radio documentary series on the value of urban forests.

Go to <http://trees.soundprint.org/> to listen to the series.

The Trust for Public Land is "a national non-profit land conservation organization that conserves land for people to enjoy." Check it out at

<http://www.tpl.org/>

Opportunities

2007 Farm Bill — Input time

The US Department of Agriculture (USDA), under which the US Forest Service Operates and where the **URBAN FORESTRY DOLLARS COME FROM**, is seeking public input into the 2007 Farm Bill.

NOW is the time to make your voices heard on this important topic. You may submit your comments directly by going to this link: http://www.usda.gov/wps/portal/!ut/p/_s.7_0_A/7_0_1UH?navid=FARM_BILL_COMM

Question #4 provides the best opportunity to voice your concerns about Urban and Community Forestry (UCF). Please present your best ideas and make your best case for Urban and Community Forestry (UCF) and **understand that if there is not much input on UCF, it is likely that not much focus nor attention will be paid to it, and that could boil down to less dollars.**

The 2006 International Society of Arboriculture Conference will be held in Minneapolis, Minnesota from July 29 - August 2. ISA is now **accepting proposals** for papers, oral presentations, and posters.

DUE DATE - November 10, 2005

TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL - submit on-line at <http://www.isa-arbor.com/calendar/submitPresentation.aspx>



Plan to plant

Indiana's nursery seedling stock is premium stock and can be purchased for conservation plantings and for Arbor Day give aways if there is an educational component. In addition, the nursery mission must be made known to the audience prior to the give away.

Now is the time to get your order in for the 2005-2006 lottery season. Order deadline for the lottery is October 21st by 4 PM. The lottery is a computerized random drawing, and orders received by the lottery have the best chance of being filled. Orders received after the lottery are processed on a first come, first served basis. For more information click on the DoF website at <http://www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/> go the left hand column, click on Tree Seedling nurseries and then click on the ordering form.

"People in suburbia see trees differently than foresters do. They cherish every one.

It is useless to speak of the probability that a certain tree will die when the tree is in someone's backyard You are talking about a personal asset, a friend, a monument, not about board feet of lumber."

- Roger Swain

"Our doubts are traitors, and make us lose the good we oft might win, by fearing to attempt"

-William Shakespeare-



Opportunities for continuing education

October

22 New Harmony Tree City USA award, Arbor Day, and poster contest.

27 Gibson County Basic Tree Care sponsored by CUF, Gibson CO. SWCD and CUF

November

3-4 Indiana Grantmakers Alliance Conference; Sponsored by Indiana Grantmakers Alliance; Phone: 317-630-5200;

<http://www.indianagrantsmakers.org>

4-5 Indiana Forestry Woodland Owners Association (IFWOA), Brown County. Topics include planting new forests, developing wetlands, timber stand improvement, woodland trails etc. There will also be a tour of a woodland and Helmsburg Sawmill. Fee: \$50.00. Contact: Liz Jackson, 765-583-3501; lackson@purdue.edu.

7-8 The Practice of Restoring Native Ecosystems; National Arbor Day Foundation, Lied Lodge & Conference Center; <http://www.arborday.org>

15-16 Arborist Certification Conference sponsored by Purdue FNR and IAA

17-18 American Forests Urban Ecosystems, Charlotte, NC. <http://www.americanforests.org>

January

4-6 Indiana Nursery and Landscape Association is featuring nationally recognized **Michael Dirr** as keynote speaker at their Plants 2006 Conference and Trade Show in Indianapolis. Contact: <http://www.inla1.org>

10-12-Indiana Arborist Association (IAA) conference. Contact: Rita McKenzie at 765-494-3625.

February

8 **Indiana Urban Forest Council winter meeting.**

12-17 **Municipal Foresters Institute**, The Municipal Forester Institute (MFI) is a new training opportunity sponsored by Society of Municipal Ar-

borists designed especially for urban forestry professionals who have policy and decision making authority over the community trees. Topics to be covered include:

- Developing a Leadership Approach to Urban Forestry Programs
- Growing & Enhancing an Urban Forestry Program
- Strategic Planning & Urban Forest Management Plans
- Working Effectively with Boards, Commissions, Committees & Coalitions

For more details visit www.urban-forestry.com

The next CUF Link will include the latest official information on the status of Emerald Ash Borer in Indiana, and what the urban forest community can do to reduce the issues that exotic and invasives pose for urban and rural woodlots and forests throughout the state.

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RIGHT!"**

-Ilan Shamir-

